

Affirmative Action Plan for the Recruitment, Hiring, Advancement, and Retention of Persons with Disabilities

To capture agencies' affirmative action plan for persons with disabilities (PWD) and persons with targeted disabilities (PWTD), EEOC regulations (29 C.F.R. § 1614.203(e)) and MD-715 require agencies to describe how their affirmative action plan will improve the recruitment, hiring, advancement, and retention of applicants and employees with disabilities.

Section I: Efforts to Reach Regulatory Goals

EEOC regulations (29 CFR §1614.203(d)(7)) require agencies to establish specific numerical goals for increasing the participation of persons with disabilities and persons with targeted disabilities in the federal government

1. Using the goal of 12% as the benchmark, does your agency have a trigger involving PWD by grade level cluster in the permanent workforce? If "yes", describe the trigger(s) in the text box.

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| a. Cluster GS-1 to GS-10 (PWD) | Answer Yes |
| b. Cluster GS-11 to SES (PWD) | Answer Yes |

Table B4 shows: GS 1-10: 2 total employees, zero (0.0%) PWD, which is below the 12% benchmark, therefore could be viewed as a trigger, however, with such a small cluster population, this does not represent a trigger. Table B4 shows: GS 11- SES: 43 total employees, two (4.6%) PWD, which is below the 12% benchmark, therefore could be viewed as a trigger.

*For GS employees, please use two clusters: GS-1 to GS-10 and GS-11 to SES, as set forth in 29 C.F.R. § 1614.203(d)(7). For all other pay plans, please use the approximate grade clusters that are above or below GS-11 Step 1 in the Washington, DC metropolitan region.

2. Using the goal of 2% as the benchmark, does your agency have a trigger involving PWTD by grade level cluster in the permanent workforce? If "yes", describe the trigger(s) in the text box.

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| a. Cluster GS-1 to GS-10 (PWTD) | Answer Yes |
| b. Cluster GS-11 to SES (PWTD) | Answer No |

Table B4 shows: GS 1-10: 2 total employees, zero (0.0%) PWTD, which is below the 2% benchmark, therefore could be viewed as a trigger, however, with such a small cluster population, this does not represent a trigger.

Grade Level Cluster(GS or Alternate Pay Planb)	Total	Reportable Disability		Targeted Disability	
	#	#	%	#	%
Numerical Goal	--	12%		2%	
Grades GS-1 to GS-10	2	0	0.00	0	0.00
Grades GS-11 to SES	43	2	4.65	1	2.33

3. Describe how the agency has communicated the numerical goals to the hiring managers and/or recruiters.

The IAF does not have numerical goals and therefore have not been communicated to hiring managers and/or recruiters.

Section II: Model Disability Program

Pursuant to 29 C.F.R. § 1614.203(d)(1), agencies must ensure sufficient staff, training and resources to recruit and hire persons with disabilities and persons with targeted disabilities, administer the reasonable accommodation program and special emphasis program, and oversee any other disability hiring and advancement program the agency has in place.

A. PLAN TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT & COMPETENT STAFFING FOR THE DISABILITY PROGRAM

1. Has the agency designated sufficient qualified personnel to implement its disability program during the reporting period? If “no”, describe the agency’s plan to improve the staffing for the upcoming year.

Answer Yes

N/A

2. Identify all staff responsible for implementing the agency's disability employment program by the office, staff employment status, and responsible official.

Disability Program Task	# of FTE Staff By Employment Status			Responsible Official (Name, Title, Office Email)
	Full Time	Part Time	Collateral Duty	
Processing applications from PWD and PWTD	0	1	0	Patty Oliva HR Specialist Patty_Oliva@ibc.doi.gov
Processing reasonable accommodation requests from applicants and employees	1	0	0	Lesley Duncan Chief Operating Officer lduncan@iaf.gov
Answering questions from the public about hiring authorities that take disability into account	0	1	0	Patty Oliva HR Specialist Patty_Oliva@ibc.doi.gov
Section 508 Compliance	1	0	0	Jacquelyn Dolezal-Morales Digital Communications Specialist JDolezalMorales@iaf.gov
Special Emphasis Program for PWD and PWTD	0	1	0	Leslie Fisher Former EEO Director lfisher@iaf.gov
Architectural Barriers Act Compliance	0	0	0	N/A N/A N/A

3. Has the agency provided disability program staff with sufficient training to carry out their responsibilities during the reporting period? If “yes”, describe the training that disability program staff have received. If “no”, describe the training planned for the upcoming year.

Answer Yes

In FY 2022, all disability program staff successfully completed OPM’s Special Placement Program Coordinator training in order to carry out their responsibilities related to the disability program.

B. PLAN TO ENSURE SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR THE DISABILITY PROGRAM

Has the agency provided sufficient funding and other resources to successfully implement the disability program during the reporting period? If “no”, describe the agency’s plan to ensure all aspects of the disability program have sufficient funding and other resources.

Answer Yes

Section III: Program Deficiencies In The Disability Program

Brief Description of Program Deficiency	D.1.c. Does the agency conduct exit interviews or surveys that include questions on how the agency could improve the recruitment, hiring, inclusion, retention and advancement of individuals with disabilities? [see 29 CFR §1614.203(d)(1)(iii)(C)]		
Objective	Include questions on how the agency could improve the recruitment, hiring, inclusion, retention and advancement of individuals with disabilities in the exit interviews.		
Target Date	Sep 30, 2023		
Completion Date			
Planned Activities	<u>Target Date</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>	<u>Planned Activity</u>
	Sep 30, 2023		Include questions on how the agency could improve the recruitment, hiring, inclusion, retention and advancement of individuals with disabilities in the exit interviews.
Accomplishments	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>	

Brief Description of Program Deficiency	D.4.a. Does the agency post its affirmative action plan on its public website? [see 29 CFR §1614.203(d)(4)] If yes, please provide the internet address in the comments.		
Objective	Post the affirmative action plan on the public website.		
Target Date	Sep 30, 2023		
Completion Date			
Planned Activities	<u>Target Date</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>	<u>Planned Activity</u>
	Jun 30, 2023		Provide the Office of External Affairs a 508 version of the affirmative action plan.
	Sep 30, 2023		Post the affirmative action plan to the public website.
Accomplishments	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>	

Brief Description of Program Deficiency	E.4.a.5. The processing of requests for reasonable accommodation? [29 CFR §1614.203(d)(4)]		
Objective	Create a system, spreadsheet, to collect data on the processing of requests for reasonable accommodation.		
Target Date	Sep 30, 2023		
Completion Date			
Planned Activities	<u>Target Date</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>	<u>Planned Activity</u>
Accomplishments	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>	

Brief Description of Program Deficiency	E.4.b. Does the agency have a system in place to re-survey the workforce on a regular basis? [MD-715 Instructions, Sec. I]		
Objective	Create a system to re-survey the workforce on a regular basis.		
Target Date	Sep 30, 2023		
Completion Date			
Planned Activities	<u>Target Date</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>	<u>Planned Activity</u>
	Sep 30, 2023		Draft directions for staff to update their disability status/race in Employee Express.
Accomplishments	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Accomplishment</u>	

Section IV: Plan to Recruit and Hire Individuals with Disabilities

Pursuant to 29 C.F.R. §1614.203(d)(1)(i) and (ii), agencies must establish a plan to increase the recruitment and hiring of individuals with disabilities. The questions below are designed to identify outcomes of the agency's recruitment program plan for PWD and PWTD

A. PLAN TO IDENTIFY JOB APPLICATIONS WITH DISABILITIES

1. Describe the programs and resources the agency uses to identify job applicants with disabilities, including individuals with targeted disabilities.

Over the last fiscal year, the IAF utilized a variety of recruitment strategies designed to increase the number of qualified applicants with disabilities and applicants with targeted disabilities within the major occupations. The IAF utilized the following resources to identify job applicants with disabilities, including targeted disabilities: - OPM's Shared Register of Candidates with Disabilities (Bender List) and the - Workforce Recruitment Program (WRP). The WRP is a recruitment and referral program that connects federal and private sector employers with college students and recent graduates.

2. Pursuant to 29 C.F.R. §1614.203(a)(3), describe the agency's use of hiring authorities that take disability into account (e.g., Schedule A) to recruit PWD and PWTD for positions in the permanent workforce

The IAF used Schedule A appointing authority (5 C.F.R. 213.310(2)) and 30% or More Disabled Veteran appointing authority (5 U.S.C. 3112; C.F.R. 316.302, 316.402, and 315.707) to proactively hire PWD expeditiously. IAF job announcements contain information explaining how to apply under Schedule A and other excepted service hiring authorities.

3. When individuals apply for a position under a hiring authority that takes disability into account (e.g., Schedule A), explain how the agency (1) determines if the individual is eligible for appointment under such authority; and, (2) forwards the individual's application to the relevant hiring officials with an explanation of how and when the individual may be appointed.

To determine if an applicant is eligible under Schedule A, the IBC reviews their application package to determine if they provided the required documentation (as described in the vacancy announcement from OPM's Disability Employment Page). The documentation is reviewed for eligibility under the hiring authority. This is applied when a candidate applies through USAJobs and/or directly to the agency. If the documentation submitted is unclear, we give tentative consideration under this hiring authority. In this case, if the individual is selected, we ask the selectee to furnish the appropriate documentation. When an applicant applies through USAJobs, we review their package for qualifications and eligibility. Those eligible and qualified under non-competitive hiring authorities are placed on a certificate of eligibles that is separate from those competitively eligible. Additionally, the HR POC searches OPM's list of Persons with Disabilities (Bender) and/or any resumes we have on file. If qualified candidates are found, the resumes are forwarded to the hiring official via email for consideration.

4. Has the agency provided training to all hiring managers on the use of hiring authorities that take disability into account (e.g., Schedule A)? If "yes", describe the type(s) of training and frequency. If "no", describe the agency's plan to provide this training.

Answer Yes

The CEO is the hiring approver. For the first half FY 2022, the agency had an acting CEO who received Schedule A training via OPM. The second half of FY 2022, the current CEO has not yet received Schedule A training.

B. PLAN TO ESTABLISH CONTACTS WITH DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT ORGANIZATIONS

Describe the agency's efforts to establish and maintain contacts with organizations that assist PWD, including PWTD, in securing and maintaining employment.

The IAF maintains regular contact with coordinators of the Department of Labor's Workforce Recruitment Program.

C. PROGRESSION TOWARDS GOALS (RECRUITMENT AND HIRING)

1. Using the goals of 12% for PWD and 2% for PWTD as the benchmarks, do triggers exist for PWD and/or PWTD among the new hires in the permanent workforce? If "yes", please describe the triggers below.

a. New Hires for Permanent Workforce (PWD) Answer Yes

b. New Hires for Permanent Workforce (PWTD) Answer Yes

The IAF hired 13 permanent employees. While one (7.7%) self-identified as a PWD, s/he did not identify as a PWTD. This falls below the 12% and 2% hiring goals, however, with such a small cluster population, this does not represent a trigger at this time.

New Hires	Total (#)	Reportable Disability		Targeted Disability	
		Permanent Workforce (%)	Temporary Workforce (%)	Permanent Workforce (%)	Temporary Workforce (%)
% of Total Applicants					
% of Qualified Applicants					
% of New Hires					

2. Using the qualified applicant pool as the benchmark, do triggers exist for PWD and/or PWTD among the new hires for any of the mission- critical occupations (MCO)? If "yes", please describe the triggers below. Select "n/a" if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. New Hires for MCO (PWD) Answer N/A

b. New Hires for MCO (PWTD) Answer N/A

The data provided from USA Staffing does not identify which qualified applicants are currently IAF employees.

New Hires to Mission-Critical Occupations	Total (#)	Reportable Disability	Targetable Disability
		New Hires (%)	New Hires (%)
Numerical Goal	--	12%	2%

3. Using the relevant applicant pool as the benchmark, do triggers exist for PWD and/or PWTD among the qualified internal applicants for any of the mission-critical occupations (MCO)? If "yes", please describe the triggers below. Select "n/a" if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. Qualified Applicants for MCO (PWD) Answer N/A

b. Qualified Applicants for MCO (PWTD) Answer N/A

The data provided from USA Staffing does not identify which qualified applicants are currently IAF employees.

4. Using the qualified applicant pool as the benchmark, do triggers exist for PWD and/or PWTD among employees promoted to any of the mission- critical occupations (MCO)? If "yes", please describe the triggers below. Select "n/a" if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. Promotions for MCO (PWD)

Answer No

b. Promotions for MCO (PWTD)

Answer No

Section V: Plan to Ensure Advancement Opportunities for Employees with Disabilities

Pursuant to 29 C.F.R. §1614.203(d)(1)(iii), agencies are required to provide sufficient advancement opportunities for employees with disabilities. Such activities might include specialized training and mentoring programs, career development opportunities, awards programs, promotions, and similar programs that address advancement. In this section, agencies should identify, and provide data on programs designed to ensure advancement opportunities for employees with disabilities.

A. ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM PLAN

Describe the agency's plan to ensure PWD, including PWTD, have sufficient opportunities for advancement.

All managers and supervisors are encouraged to promote the career development of all employees, including PWT/PWTD.

B. CAREER DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITES

1. Please describe the career development opportunities that the agency provides to its employees.

Career development opportunities (such as training opportunities, details, etc.) are provided to all employees (including PWD and PWTD) that may be eligible.

2. In the table below, please provide the data for career development opportunities that require competition and/or supervisory recommendation/ approval to participate.

Career Development Opportunities	Total Participants		PWD		PWTD	
	Applicants (#)	Selectees (#)	Applicants (%)	Selectees (%)	Applicants (%)	Selectees (%)
Training Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coaching Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Career Development Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Internship Programs	39	7	0	0	0	0
Fellowship Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Detail Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mentoring Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0

3. Do triggers exist for PWD among the applicants and/or selectees for any of the career development programs? (The appropriate benchmarks are the relevant applicant pool for the applicants and the applicant pool for selectees.) If "yes", describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select "n/a" if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. Applicants (PWD)

Answer N/A

b. Selections (PWD)

Answer N/A

In FY 2002 the IAF did not collect disability data for the internship programs, so the agency does not know if there is a trigger.

4. Do triggers exist for PWTD among the applicants and/or selectees for any of the career development programs? (The appropriate benchmarks are the relevant applicant pool for the applicants and the applicant pool for selectees.) If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. Applicants (PWTD)

Answer N/A

b. Selections (PWTD)

Answer N/A

In FY 2002 the IAF did not collect disability data for the internship programs, so the agency does not know if there is a trigger.

C. AWARDS

1. Using the inclusion rate as the benchmark, does your agency have a trigger involving PWD and/or PWTD for any level of the time-off awards, bonuses, or other incentives? If “yes”, please describe the trigger(s) in the text box.

a. Awards, Bonuses, & Incentives (PWD)

Answer No

b. Awards, Bonuses, & Incentives (PWTD)

Answer No

Time-Off Awards	Total (#)	Reportable Disability %	Without Reportable Disability %	Targeted Disability %	Without Targeted Disability %
Time-Off Awards 1 - 10 hours: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 1 - 10 Hours: Total Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 1 - 10 Hours: Average Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 11 - 20 hours: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 11 - 20 Hours: Total Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 11 - 20 Hours: Average Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 21 - 30 hours: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 21 - 30 Hours: Total Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 21 - 30 Hours: Average Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 31 - 40 hours: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 31 - 40 Hours: Total Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 31 - 40 Hours: Average Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 41 or more Hours: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 41 or more Hours: Total Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Time-Off Awards 41 or more Hours: Average Hours	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Cash Awards	Total (#)	Reportable Disability %	Without Reportable Disability %	Targeted Disability %	Without Targeted Disability %
Cash Awards: \$501 - \$999: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$501 - \$999: Total Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$501 - \$999: Average Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$1000 - \$1999: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$1000 - \$1999: Total Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$1000 - \$1999: Average Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$2000 - \$2999: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$2000 - \$2999: Total Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$2000 - \$2999: Average Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$3000 - \$3999: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$3000 - \$3999: Total Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$3000 - \$3999: Average Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$4000 - \$4999: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$4000 - \$4999: Total Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$4000 - \$4999: Average Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$5000 or more: Awards Given	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$5000 or more: Total Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Awards: \$5000 or more: Average Amount	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

2. Using the inclusion rate as the benchmark, does your agency have a trigger involving PWD and/or PWTD for quality step increases or performance- based pay increases? If “yes”, please describe the trigger(s) in the text box.

a. Pay Increases (PWD)

Answer No

b. Pay Increases (PWTD)

Answer No

Other Awards	Total (#)	Reportable Disability %	Without Reportable Disability %	Targeted Disability %	Without Targeted Disability %
Total Performance Based Pay Increases Awarded	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

3. If the agency has other types of employee recognition programs, are PWD and/or PWTD recognized disproportionately less than employees without disabilities? (The appropriate benchmark is the inclusion rate.) If “yes”, describe the employee recognition program and relevant data in the text box.

a. Other Types of Recognition (PWD)

Answer No

b. Other Types of Recognition (PWTD)

Answer No

D. PROMOTIONS

1. Does your agency have a trigger involving PWD among the qualified internal applicants and/or selectees for promotions to the senior grade levels? (The appropriate benchmarks are the relevant applicant pool for qualified internal applicants and the qualified applicant pool for selectees.) For non-GS pay plans, please use the approximate senior grade levels. If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. SES

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWD)

Answer No

ii. Internal Selections (PWD)

Answer No

b. Grade GS-15

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWD)

Answer No

ii. Internal Selections (PWD)

Answer No

c. Grade GS-14

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWD)

Answer No

ii. Internal Selections (PWD)

Answer No

d. Grade GS-13

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWD)

Answer No

ii. Internal Selections (PWD)

Answer No

Please note the IAF does not have any SES employees.
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2. Does your agency have a trigger involving PWTD among the qualified internal applicants and/or selectees for promotions to the senior grade levels? (The appropriate benchmarks are the relevant applicant pool for qualified internal applicants and the qualified applicant pool for selectees.) For non-GS pay plans, please use the approximate senior grade levels. If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. SES

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWTD)

Answer N/A

ii. Internal Selections (PWTD)

Answer N/A

b. Grade GS-15

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWTD)

Answer No

ii. Internal Selections (PWTD)

Answer No

c. Grade GS-14

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWTD)

Answer No

ii. Internal Selections (PWTD)

Answer No

d. Grade GS-13

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWTD)	Answer	No
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ii. Internal Selections (PWTD)	Answer	No
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3. Using the qualified applicant pool as the benchmark, does your agency have a trigger involving PWD among the new hires to the senior grade levels? For non-GS pay plans, please use the approximate senior grade levels. If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. New Hires to SES (PWD)	Answer	N/A
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b. New Hires to GS-15 (PWD)	Answer	No
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c. New Hires to GS-14 (PWD)	Answer	No
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d. New Hires to GS-13 (PWD)	Answer	No
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4. Using the qualified applicant pool as the benchmark, does your agency have a trigger involving PWTD among the new hires to the senior grade levels? For non-GS pay plans, please use the approximate senior grade levels. If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. New Hires to SES (PWTD)	Answer	N/A
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b. New Hires to GS-15 (PWTD)	Answer	No
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c. New Hires to GS-14 (PWTD)	Answer	No
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d. New Hires to GS-13 (PWTD)	Answer	No
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5. Does your agency have a trigger involving PWD among the qualified internal applicants and/or selectees for promotions to supervisory positions? (The appropriate benchmarks are the relevant applicant pool for qualified internal applicants and the qualified applicant pool for selectees.) If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. Executives

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWD)	Answer	No
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ii. Internal Selections (PWD)	Answer	No
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b. Managers

i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWD)	Answer	No
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ii. Internal Selections (PWD)	Answer	No
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c. Supervisors

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| i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWD) | Answer | No |
| ii. Internal Selections (PWD) | Answer | No |
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6. Does your agency have a trigger involving PWD among the qualified internal applicants and/or selectees for promotions to supervisory positions? (The appropriate benchmarks are the relevant applicant pool for qualified internal applicants and the qualified applicant pool for selectees.) If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

a. Executives

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| i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWTD) | Answer | No |
| ii. Internal Selections (PWTD) | Answer | No |

b. Managers

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| i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWTD) | Answer | No |
| ii. Internal Selections (PWTD) | Answer | No |

c. Supervisors

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| i. Qualified Internal Applicants (PWTD) | Answer | No |
| ii. Internal Selections (PWTD) | Answer | No |
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7. Using the qualified applicant pool as the benchmark, does your agency have a trigger involving PWD among the selectees for new hires to supervisory positions? If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

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| a. New Hires for Executives (PWD) | Answer | No |
| b. New Hires for Managers (PWD) | Answer | No |
| c. New Hires for Supervisors (PWD) | Answer | No |
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8. Using the qualified applicant pool as the benchmark, does your agency have a trigger involving PWD among the selectees for new hires to supervisory positions? If “yes”, describe the trigger(s) in the text box. Select “n/a” if the applicant data is not available for your agency, and describe your plan to provide the data in the text box.

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| a. New Hires for Executives (PWTD) | Answer | No |
| b. New Hires for Managers (PWTD) | Answer | No |
| c. New Hires for Supervisors (PWTD) | Answer | No |
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Section VI: Plan to Improve Retention of Persons with Disabilities

To be model employer for persons with disabilities, agencies must have policies and programs in place to retain employees with disabilities. In this section, agencies should: (1) analyze workforce separation data to identify barriers retaining employees with disabilities; (2) describe efforts to ensure accessibility of technology and facilities; and (3) provide information on the reasonable

accommodation program and workplace assistance services.

A. VOLUNTARY AND INVOLUNTARY SEPARATIONS

1. In this reporting period, did the agency convert all eligible Schedule A employees with a disability into the competitive service after two years of satisfactory service (5 C.F.R. § 213.3102(u)(6)(i))? If “no”, please explain why the agency did not convert all eligible Schedule A employees.

Answer No

During FY 2022, the IAF did not have any eligible Schedule A employees with a disability.

2. Using the inclusion rate as the benchmark, did the percentage of PWD among voluntary and involuntary separations exceed that of persons without disabilities? If “yes”, describe the trigger below.

a. Voluntary Separations (PWD)

Answer No

b. Involuntary Separations (PWD)

Answer No

Seperations	Total #	Reportable Disabilities %	Without Reportable Disabilities %
Permanent Workforce: Reduction in Force	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Removal	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Resignation	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Retirement	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Other Separations	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Total Separations	0	0.00	0.00

3. Using the inclusion rate as the benchmark, did the percentage of PWTD among voluntary and involuntary separations exceed that of persons without targeted disabilities? If “yes”, describe the trigger below.

a. Voluntary Separations (PWTD)

Answer No

b. Involuntary Separations (PWTD)

Answer No

Seperations	Total #	Targeted Disabilities %	Without Targeted Disabilities %
Permanent Workforce: Reduction in Force	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Removal	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Resignation	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Retirement	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Other Separations	0	0.00	0.00
Permanent Workforce: Total Separations	0	0.00	0.00

4. If a trigger exists involving the separation rate of PWD and/or PWTD, please explain why they left the agency using exit interview results and other data sources.

The IAF did not have a trigger involving the separation rate of PWD and/or PWTD.

B. ACCESSIBILITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND FACILITIES

Pursuant to 29 CFR §1614.203(d)(4), federal agencies are required to inform applicants and employees of their rights under Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 794(b), concerning the accessibility of agency technology, and the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. § 4151-4157), concerning the accessibility of agency facilities. In addition, agencies are required to inform individuals where to file complaints if other agencies are responsible for a violation.

1. Please provide the internet address on the agency's public website for its notice explaining employees' and applicants' rights under Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, including a description of how to file a complaint.

<https://www.iaf.gov/legal-notices/#accessibility>

2. Please provide the internet address on the agency's public website for its notice explaining employees' and applicants' rights under the Architectural Barriers Act, including a description of how to file a complaint.

<https://www.iaf.gov/legal-notices/#accessibility>

3. Describe any programs, policies, or practices that the agency has undertaken, or plans on undertaking over the next fiscal year, designed to improve accessibility of agency facilities and/or technology.

IAF leases office space in National Place, a mixed public and government-tenant building which complies with the accessibility requirements. The IAF does not have any specific plans to adjust facilities or technology currently (particularly given it's 100% mandatory telework posture) but upon return to the physical workspace, the IAF will regularly assess whether accessibility improvements to facilities need to be made. .

C. REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION PROGRAM

Pursuant to 29 C.F.R. § 1614.203(d)(3), agencies must adopt, post on their public website, and make available to all job applicants and employees, reasonable accommodation procedures.

1. Please provide the average time frame for processing initial requests for reasonable accommodations during the reporting period. (Please do not include previously approved requests with repetitive accommodations, such as interpreting services.)

All reasonable accommodation requests are approved and implemented within a 30-day timeframe.

2. Describe the effectiveness of the policies, procedures, or practices to implement the agency's reasonable accommodation program. Some examples of an effective program include timely processing requests, timely providing approved accommodations, conducting training for managers and supervisors, and monitoring accommodation requests for trends.

The IAF's reasonable accommodation policy is reviewed, updated if needed, and emailed to staff on an annual basis. The policy is also posted on the IAF internal and external websites. All reasonable accommodation requests are approved and implemented within a 30-day timeframe.

D. PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES ALLOWING EMPLOYEES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORKPLACE

Pursuant to 29 CFR §1614.203(d)(5), federal agencies, as an aspect of affirmative action, are required to provide personal assistance services (PAS) to employees who need them because of a targeted disability, unless doing so would impose an undue hardship on the agency.

Describe the effectiveness of the policies, procedures, or practices to implement the PAS requirement. Some examples of an effective program include timely processing requests for PAS, timely providing approved services, conducting training for managers and supervisors, and monitoring PAS requests for trends.

The agency has procedures in place to ensure an effective PAS program. The IAF's PAS policy is reviewed, updated if needed, and emailed to staff on an annual basis. The policy is also posted on the IAF internal and external websites

Section VII: EEO Complaint and Findings Data

A. EEO COMPLAINT DATA INVOLVING HARASSMENT

1. During the last fiscal year, did a higher percentage of PWD file a formal EEO complaint alleging harassment, as compared to the governmentwide average?

Answer No

2. During the last fiscal year, did any complaints alleging harassment based on disability status result in a finding of discrimination or a settlement agreement?

Answer No

3. If the agency had one or more findings of discrimination alleging harassment based on disability status during the last fiscal year, please describe the corrective measures taken by the agency.

The IAF did not have any findings of discrimination alleging harassment based on disability status during the last fiscal year.

B. EEO COMPLAINT DATA INVOLVING REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

1. During the last fiscal year, did a higher percentage of PWD file a formal EEO complaint alleging failure to provide a reasonable accommodation, as compared to the government-wide average?

Answer No

2. During the last fiscal year, did any complaints alleging failure to provide reasonable accommodation result in a finding of discrimination or a settlement agreement?

Answer No

3. If the agency had one or more findings of discrimination involving the failure to provide a reasonable accommodation during the last fiscal year, please describe the corrective measures taken by the agency.

The IAF did not have any findings of discrimination involving the failure to provide a reasonable accommodation during the last fiscal year.

Section VIII: Identification and Removal of Barriers

Element D of MD-715 requires agencies to conduct a barrier analysis when a trigger suggests that a policy, procedure, or practice may be impeding the employment opportunities of a protected EEO group.

1. Has the agency identified any barriers (policies, procedures, and/or practices) that affect employment opportunities for PWD and/or PWTD?

Answer Yes

2. Has the agency established a plan to correct the barrier(s) involving PWD and/or PWTD?

Answer Yes

3. Identify each trigger and plan to remove the barrier(s), including the identified barrier(s), objective(s), responsible official(s), planned activities, and, where applicable, accomplishments

Source of the Trigger:	Workforce Data (if so identify the table)				
Specific Workforce Data Table:	Workforce Data Table - B1				
STATEMENT OF CONDITION THAT WAS A TRIGGER FOR A POTENTIAL BARRIER: Provide a brief narrative describing the condition at issue. How was the condition recognized as a potential barrier?	Low participation rate for PWD/PWTD				
STATEMENT OF BARRIER GROUPS:	<i>Barrier Group</i>				
Barrier Analysis Process Completed?:	N				
Barrier(s) Identified?:	N				
STATEMENT OF IDENTIFIED BARRIER: Provide a succinct statement of the agency policy, procedure or practice that has been determined to be the barrier of the undesired condition.	Barrier Name Institutional Barrier		Description of Policy, Procedure, or Practice Foundation staff did not know he/she were able to update their disability status in Employee Express.		
Objective(s) and Dates for EEO Plan					
Date Initiated	Target Date	Sufficient Funding / Staffing?	Date Modified	Date Completed	Objective Description
10/01/2022	09/30/2023	Yes			Identify and address any additional barriers for PWD/PWTD in an effort to obtain a higher participation rate. Also, train staff on how to update their disability status in Employee Express
Responsible Official(s)					
Title		Name		Standards Address The Plan?	
EEO Director		Ebony R. Jarrett		Yes	
Planned Activities Toward Completion of Objective					
Target Date	Planned Activities			Sufficient Staffing & Funding?	Modified Date
06/30/2023	Conduct Employee Express training showing staff how to update his/her disability status.			Yes	
09/30/2023	Establish relationships with disability-related affinity groups			Yes	

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Source of the Trigger:	Other				
Specific Workforce Data Table:	Part J, section I.3 of the MD-715 report.				
STATEMENT OF CONDITION THAT WAS A TRIGGER FOR A POTENTIAL BARRIER: Provide a brief narrative describing the condition at issue. How was the condition recognized as a potential barrier?	Numerical goals for PWD/PWTD are not communicated to hiring managers and/or officials.				
STATEMENT OF BARRIER GROUPS:	<i>Barrier Group</i>				
Barrier Analysis Process Completed?:	Y				
Barrier(s) Identified?:	Y				
STATEMENT OF IDENTIFIED BARRIER: Provide a succinct statement of the agency policy, procedure or practice that has been determined to be the barrier of the undesired condition.	Barrier Name Institutional barrier		Description of Policy, Procedure, or Practice Numerical goals are not communicated to hiring officials due to the size of the agency and the number of vacancies advertised during the fiscal year.		
Objective(s) and Dates for EEO Plan					
Date Initiated	Target Date	Sufficient Funding / Staffing?	Date Modified	Date Completed	Objective Description
10/01/2023	09/30/2023	Yes			To communicate the numerical goals for PWD/PWTD to hiring managers and/or officials.
Responsible Official(s)					
Title		Name		Standards Address The Plan?	
Chief Executive Officer/President		Sara Aviel		Yes	
Chief Operating Officer		Lesley Duncan		Yes	
Planned Activities Toward Completion of Objective					
Target Date	Planned Activities			Sufficient Staffing & Funding?	Modified Date
06/30/2023	Communicate the numerical goals to hiring officials and/or managers.			Yes	
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Source of the Trigger:	Workforce Data (if so identify the table)				
Specific Workforce Data Table:	Workforce Data Table - B1				
STATEMENT OF CONDITION THAT WAS A TRIGGER FOR A POTENTIAL BARRIER: Provide a brief narrative describing the condition at issue. How was the condition recognized as a potential barrier?	All of the hiring managers have not received training on the use of hiring authorities that take disability into account.				
STATEMENT OF BARRIER GROUPS:	<i>Barrier Group</i>				
Barrier Analysis Process Completed?:	Y				
Barrier(s) Identified?:	Y				
STATEMENT OF IDENTIFIED BARRIER: Provide a succinct statement of the agency policy, procedure or practice that has been determined to be the barrier of the undesired condition.	Barrier Name Instructional barrier		Description of Policy, Procedure, or Practice Hiring managers were not aware they were supposed to successfully complete training on hiring authorities that take disability into account.		
Objective(s) and Dates for EEO Plan					
Date Initiated	Target Date	Sufficient Funding / Staffing?	Date Modified	Date Completed	Objective Description
10/01/2022	09/30/2023	Yes			Ensure all hiring managers successfully complete training on the use of hiring authorities that take disability into account.
Responsible Official(s)					
Title		Name		Standards Address The Plan?	
Chief Operating Officer		Lesley Duncan		Yes	
EEO Director		Ebony R. Jarrett		Yes	
Planned Activities Toward Completion of Objective					
Target Date	Planned Activities			Sufficient Staffing & Funding?	Modified Date
06/30/2023	Identify disability hiring authority related training for hiring managers.			Yes	
08/01/2023	Assign all hiring managers to successfully complete training that includes the use of hiring authorities that take disability into account.			Yes	

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4. Please explain the factor(s) that prevented the agency from timely completing any of the planned activities.

The IAF did not identify any barriers (policies, procedures, and/or practices) that affect employment opportunities for PWD and/or PWTD.

5. For the planned activities that were completed, please describe the actual impact of those activities toward eliminating the barrier(s).

The IAF did not identify any barriers (policies, procedures, and/or practices) that affect employment opportunities for PWD and/or PWTD.

6. If the planned activities did not correct the trigger(s) and/or barrier(s), please describe how the agency intends to improve the plan for the next fiscal year.

The IAF did not identify any barriers (policies, procedures, and/or practices) that affect employment opportunities for PWD and/or PWTD.